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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2)

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2) to permit consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement in an Request for Continued Examination Application. Attached hereto is a Request for Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement.

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